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## TELEGRAPHIC.

WINNIPEG, April 9, 1886.

Sir John's health has improved. The franchise bill is to be amended. Archbishop Tache has returned from the west.

The Manitoba Sun has made its appearance.

By the redistribution bill the number of seats in the Manitoba legislature will be increased to 30 or 38.

The royal commission is still enquiring into the Norquay charges. The general belief is that nothing substantial will result.

A train went over an embankment at Greenfield, Massachusetts, and caught fire. Only three out of one hundred passengers escaped injury.

The Woodworth-Beatty scandal over the North-West Central railway has been again ventilated before the railways committee of the house of commons. Woodworth read the correspondence between himself and the minister of finance. The committee agreed to postpone the bill for two weeks to enable Beatty to show his ability to build the road. Sir Hector Langevin explained that the postponement had nothing to do with the government's action, whether they were for or against the measure. They would reserve their action.

Intense interest was manifested yesterday regarding Gladstone's Irish speech. The premier was given a great ovation on his way to parliament. The scene in the house was grand. His speech was of great length. The measure proposed is a very sweeping one. Ireland is no longer to be represented at Westminster. A parliament will sit in Dublin. The maximum duration to be five years. To consist of two chambers, one having one hundred and three and the other two hundred and six members. To have no power to establish any religion as the state church, but to have power to deal with laws affecting trade, navigation, coinage, etc. All proceeds of customs and excise duties to be held to meet Irish obligations. The vice royal office to remain, but to be held by a non-political official. The speech closed as follows: "I have no right to say that Ireland through her constitutionally elected members will accept the measure I propose. I hope she will but have no right to assume it, nor have I any power to enforce it upon the people of England and Scotland, but rely on the patriotism and sagacity of the house, on free and full discussion and more than all upon the justice and general sentiment of the two British nations; and looking forward I ask this house to believe that no trivial motive could have driven us to assist in the work we have undertaken, a work which we believe will restore parliament to its dignity and legislation to its free and unimpeded course. I ask them to stay the waste from the public treasury going on under the present system of government and administration in Ireland, which is not a waste only but a waste which demoralizes while it exhausts. I ask them to show to Europe and America that we also can face the political problem which America had to face twenty years ago and which many countries in Europe have been called upon to face, and have not to fear to deal with it. I ask that we shall practice as we have very often preached, and that in our own case we should be firm and fearless in applying doctrines which we have often inculcated upon others, that the concession of local self-government is not the way to sap and impair but to strengthen and consolidate unity. I ask that we should learn to rely less on mere written stipulations and more on those better stipulations written on the heart and mind of man. I ask that we should apply to Ireland the happy experience we have gained in England and Scotland where a course of generations has now taught us, not as a dream or a theory but as a matter of practice and of life, that the best and surest foundation we can build on is the foundation afforded by the affections and convictions and the will of man; and that it is thus, by decree of the Almighty, that far more than by any other method we may be enabled to secure at once the social happiness, the power and the permanence of the empire." Trevelyan opposed and Parnell supported the bill, the latter, however, mentioning some defects. Opinions, as to the result are very much divided.

Thos. Edmundson returned on Thursday from his vaccinating tour among the Victoria and Lac la Biche Indians. Some of them objected to the operation, but the larger number submitted to it. All are quiet and seem very peaceably inclined.

## LOCAL.

STREETS dry.

PRAIRIE fires all around.

GOOD demand for garden seeds.

GARDENING commenced in town on Monday last.

THE Battle river bridge has been repaired by S. Cunningham.

SATURDAY last was calm, mild and hazy, like Indian summer.

THE ice was still strong enough for crossing in some places last night.

THE Sturgeon river bridge at D.B. Wilson's place has been completed.

P. DALY and wife, of Winnipeg, arrived by stage on Monday evening last.

T. G. Ross of Little Mountain has rented his farm for the summer on shares.

F. PROVOST has two flat boats ready for Battleford, as soon as the ice goes.

COURT has been postponed until May 17th. Judge Roleau is expected to preside.

J. KNOWLES, of Little Mountain, has rented his farm for the summer to J. Norn.

C. W. SUTTER lost two trunks by the burning of the C. P. R. depot in Winnipeg.

ICE began to move in the river on April 4th last year, and cleared out on the 6th.

A NEW bell at the Methodist church has this week replaced the one blown down last fall.

FARMING operations will commence generally next Monday. A little later than last year.

No service in the Methodist church tomorrow, as the pastor will be absent at Sturgeon river.

REPORTED that Judge Roleau is about to remove to Calgary, where he is to replace Judge Travis.

J. McPHERSON of Stoney Plain was plowing on Monday last. The plain is rather earlier than Edmonton.

THOS. EDMUNDSON has been appointed assistant Indian agent at Victoria, and will shortly take up his residence there.

Mrs. W. D. Young received word on Thursday of the death of her husband in Winnipeg hospital. He was suffering from palsy.

CHIEF FACTOR HARDISTY and family, Miss Strachan, Dr. Wilson, M.N.W.C., and Chas. Stewart arrived from Calgary on Sunday last.

FIRE was running yesterday afternoon in rear of town and burned Sanderson & Looby's stable. It nearly caught several other buildings.

A COMPLIMENTARY dinner in honor of Dr. Wilson, M.N.W.C. for this district, will be given in Kelly's hall on Wednesday evening next.

THE repairs to the St. Albert bridge have been completed. Also the construction of the bridge across Carrot creek, west of St. Albert mission.

CHIEF BOB TAIL lately expressed a determination to take a holiday from his oppressive farm labors, and go on a hunting excursion for the summer.

EGGS were sold in town last week at 20 cts. a dozen. Most farmers, however, decline to sell at less than 30, 35 or 40 cents. Butter sells at 35 to 40 cents.

A PARTY of three prospectors left week before last in the wake of Burke and Nelsen to prospect the Smoky river thoroughly, intending to return in the fall by way of Lesser Slave lake.

ON Wednesday evening Dr. Munro, clerk of the court, received a telegram from Judge Travis that he would leave Calgary for Edmonton on Thursday last and open court here on Tuesday next.

AT the lecture by Rev. Mr. Baird in the Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening next additional attractions will be songs by Mrs. Lauder, Mrs. Howard and Mr. Blake, with instrumental music by Sgt. Bagley.

THE Indian prisoners arrested last fall at Beaver lake by the police for assisting in raiding the H. B. store at Lac la Biche, have been released from custody by order of the government, and have returned to their homes.

W. McKAY returned from a telegraph repairing trip yesterday evening. He went about eighty miles out, to the 15-mile plain. The country had all been burned last fall. Fires are now raging south of Battle river. The snow is nearly all gone and there is very little water; every prospect of a dry season. Very few geese were to be seen but plenty of ducks. The small ponds were thawed out, the lakes were still solid.

LAPOUREUX Bros' mill has sawed about 200,000 feet of lumber this winter. Over 30,000 feet have been sold from the mill; the remainder is lying on the river bank for shipment to Battleford.

P. DALY & Co. have purchased the stock and good-will of the drug business of Dr. Wilson and will shortly open out in the same stand a full line of fancy goods stationery jewelry and cigars in addition to an increased stock of drugs and patent medicines.

THOS. SMITH has declined the contract for potatoes and barley for the Battleford agricultural society, as the papers to be signed have not yet arrived. The society has decided to bring the produce in from Swift Current. The amount is \$1,600 bushels.

THE court for the revision of the school assessment sat on Wednesday evening to consider the appeal of the H. B. Co. A reduction of \$3,000 in the valuation of the buildings was made, which was satisfactory to the company. The appeals of the company's officials were dropped.

HARRY & HENDERSON are down from their mine. The machinery they took up lately was not sufficiently powerful to answer their purpose. They are making arrangements to set up more powerful machinery at Edmonton, and will bring the rock down the river on rafts as soon as the stage of water will admit.

Dr. Munro returned from his vaccinating trip to Lac Ste Anne on Saturday last. The Lac Ste. Anne Indians offered no objection to the operation, but many were absent hunting. Those at Riviere Quibarre were passed over at their request until the wet weather of spring is passed.

GEO. LONG, of Sturgeon river settlement, planted last spring one potatoe of the morning star variety weighing one ounce which in the fall gave a yield of ten pounds, a rate of 160 pounds to the pound planted. He also raised a potatoe of the beauty of Hebron variety which weighed four pounds.

THE lumber in the H. B. mill yard was in great danger of being burned yesterday afternoon. The fire, which has been smouldering in the ground ever since the mill was burned, was fanned up by the high wind and caught a small pile of saw-logs. It was put out before doing any great amount of damage.

A NOTICEABLE feature in the Indian supply contract is, that of the four adjoining agencies of Peace Hills, Edmonton, Victoria and Onion lake or Pitt. Peace Hills gets far and away the largest amount, Edmonton next, Victoria next and Onion lake, with the largest number of Indians, the smallest. The quantity has not been graded according to loyalty or disloyalty for although the disloyal Onion lakers get little the loyal Victoria Indians get but little more, and far less than the at least questionably loyal ones of Peace Hills.

THE first of the monthly markets agreed upon after the late meeting of the agricultural society was held on Tuesday last. On account of the short notice given and the river having become unsafe to cross the attendance was small. Wheat was sold at \$1 a bushel, cash, and 75c was refused for oats. A horse was sold by M. McLeod to M. McCauley for \$160. Other sales were made during the day of some spring pigs at \$3 apiece, of damaged wheat at 80 cts a bushel and of barley at 75. It is expected that there will be a larger turn out next market day, Tuesday May 4th. The hour of meeting suggested is 1 p.m. and the place M. McCauley's yard.

THE first session of the North-West board of education resulted in the appointment of six Protestant and five Roman Catholic school inspectors. The total salaries of the former, graded according to the number of schools each one has to inspect, is \$1,495 and of the latter \$350. Travelling expenses are allowed in addition. Of Protestant inspectors, Rev. A. B. Baird, Edmonton, gets \$75; Rev. J. McLean, MacLeod and Calgary, \$100; P. G. Laurie, Battleford, \$25. Roman Catholic, Rev. Pere Lestanc, Edmonton, \$150; W. V. Cortell's, Calgary and MacLeod, \$25; E. Richard, Battleford, \$50. Rev'ds F. W. Pelly and Hugonnard of Ft. Qu'Appelle were appointed a board of examiners of teachers at a salary of \$100 each. James Brown, of the lieutenant-governor's office, was appointed secretary of the board of education at a salary of \$60 a month, and was instructed to call for tenders for the printing of the blanks required by the ordinance. Gage's series of school books was adopted for the Protestant schools, and that in use in the Roman Catholic schools of Manitoba was adopted for the Roman Catholic schools.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TEACHER WANTED.—Sturgeon Protestant school district. Commence at once. Salary and other particulars on application to H. LONG, Chairman Board of Trustees.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, EDMONTON DISTRICT.

By order of the judge the sittings of the above court will be held on Tuesday the 13th inst., at 10 o'clock, a.m., in the school house.

L. J. MUNRO,  
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JAS. A. PETRIE.

GARDEN SEEDS

AT BROWN & CURRY'S.  
ASTRAY.—A Cow. Owner can have information of her whereabouts on giving description at this office and paying for this advertisement.

NOTICE—PAY UP.—All parties indebted to the undersigned are requested to call and settle, or arrange for a settlement, of their accounts. SANDERSON & LOOBY.

NOTICE.—All parties indebted to Donald McLeod, farmer, formerly of Little Mountain Settlement, by note or otherwise will please call and settle with Alex. McLeod, of the same place on or before the 1st of April next.

THE HERMITAGE SCHOOL.

Arrangements are made to receive pupils for board and instruction at the Hermitage in September. Parents wishing to secure admission for their children may at once address the Rev'd Canon Newton.

HAY! HAY! HAY!

For Sale, a few tons of very fine hay in stack 4 miles from town, or at Alex. Rowland's yard. Apply early to get good bargains before it is all gone to.

GEO. A. BLAKE,  
Belmont.

NOTICE TO FARMERS & FREIGHTERS.

The undersigned having secured the services of a competent Blacksmith and Machinist is now prepared to do general blacksmith work at his place of residence, at prices lower than ever before known in Edmonton. Terms strictly cash.

ROBERT McKERNAN.

FOUND.

Two Horses—a grey and a black—between the Eye hill and the Nose. Supposed to have been astray since the fall of 1885.

These horses are now in my possession and will be delivered to owners on their proving property and paying expenses.

SAM'L B. LUCAS.

TWO FARMERS "DELAYS ARE DANGEROUS!!!"

Parties wishing to secure Toronto Light Rinders, Toronto, or Massey Mowers or reapers for this season should now hand in their orders without delay so as to secure prompt delivery. No purchaser asked to keep his machine unless it does all that is claimed for it.

GEO. A. BLAKE, Agent.



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#### MR. PEARCE AGAIN.

The extract from his report to the department of the interior of our old friend Mr. Pearce, which appears elsewhere in this issue will be interesting reading as well as news to people at Edmonton acquainted with the facts of the case. As a specimen of the manner in which agents of the government systematically misrepresent the condition of affairs in the North-West it is of value, making plain the reason why, while the government was proclaiming its desire to do justice to every one the settlers found it so difficult to obtain justice—accounting to a very great extent for the difference between the estimated and actual present population of the North-West. As a specimen of careful misrepresentation it is a complete work of art.

Mr. Pearce thinks it strange that a number of settlers should have asked for a reduction of the price of their pre-emptions. Perhaps it is news to him that in some instances he recommended that neighbors equally entitled to the lowest rate should pay \$1 and \$2 respectively. That a number of his awards at \$2 an acre were upon complaint to Ottawa reduced to \$1. That the regulation in force at the time the settler took up his land did not govern as the date of settlement upon which settlers are allowed a lower pre-emption rate has been extended a year in this district; and that he himself three pages further on in his report suggests a general reduction in the price of pre-emptions. What the Edmonton meeting asked for was a \$1 rate on all land taken before the establishment of a land office in 1884. He also finds it strange that St. Albert people holding claims from before the transfer should object to paying a ten dollar entry fee, although he admits they are entitled to a free patent. He neglects to state that all such land over 160 acres was charged for at the rate of \$1 an acre, although the title was of prior date to that of the Canadian government, and that was where the shoe chiefly pinched. As to the difficulty of proving heirship or ownership, it may be remarked that at St. Albert last summer over a hundred of the same people proved heirship and ownership before the scrip commission at a cost of 50c each. Mr. Pearce should have stated the cause, of which he was well aware, of the indignation meeting which he evidently so much disliked. It was, that at a time of great financial depression the decisions of the land board came tumbling in by the dozen every mail, demanding their acceptance and the payment of the pre-emption prices fixed either cash down or in from one to three months time, while a few favored ones were allowed an indefinite period for payment. The cash demanded by these decisions could not be procured within the time fixed, and people who had no other objection to make saw themselves about to be robbed of their pre-emptions. Hence the hurried nature of the meeting and the general and great excitement. Mr. Pearce might have stated that as the result of the excitement this feature of his decisions was allowed by the department to become practically a dead letter.

An instance of Mr. Pearce's peculiar methods are his dealings with lot 2, Edmonton river survey. This lot was taken up by the present proprietor, Mr. Groat, about the year '70. He began residence upon it shortly afterwards and still lives upon it. He has extensive improvements. The lot adjoins the H. B. reserve on the west, and as surveyed by Michael Deane in 1882 contains some 700 acres. During the earlier years of Mr. Groat's residence upon the place he sold or donated three parcels of land adjoining the H. B. line to Dr. Verey, the English church and the Roman Catholic church. Mr. Groat never had any dispute with any of these parties as to the amount of land each was to receive upon patent issuing to him. On appearing before Mr. Pearce he was informed that his

claim was all right and that no one was disputing it. The decision of the land board, however, was that patent should only issue to Mr. Groat for his claim, less three chains off its eastern side, in which were situated the three properties disposed of, but which included some eight or ten acres that had not been disposed of, besides. No reason was given for this action, no assurance that the parties acquiring the land from him would each receive their proper amount, and no intimation as to what would be done with the amount over that sold. Mr. Groat did not dispute this decision, being anxious to secure his patent. But although Mr. Pearce was here in 1884 Mr. Groat has yet been unable to secure an entry for his claim, the ostensible reason being in connection with a road allowance across it which he is and has been willing to concede but which the government, after several changes of base, now demand that he shall survey at his own expense. The extra acres cut off his eastern line either belonged to Mr. Groat or they did not. If they were his by right, to take them from him without compensation was simply robbery. If Mr. Pearce had reason to believe that Mr. Groat was wrongfully in possession of these three chains common justice would demand that he be allowed the opportunity to prove his right before being deprived of it. This opportunity was not allowed him.

If Mr. Pearce would like to know the reason why so few complaints were forwarded to the department as the outcome of the indignation meeting he can be easily accommodated. On the day of the meeting, March 25th, the first announcement of the scrip commission being appointed was made, and the report was circulated at the time that this commission would also hear complaints against the decisions of the land board. At Qu'Appelle this was done but, the rebellion being over before the commission reached Edmonton, all requests for the hearing of such complaints were refused. By this time many of those who had put off making complaint direct to Ottawa were in a financial position to meet the demands made upon them, while others had come to the conclusion that it was useless to expect justice from the department as long as Mr. Pearce was its adviser. Others again, knowing his contemptible spirit, were afraid to complain, believing that he would not scruple to punish them for daring to do so by adding to their present burdens. Mr. Pearce will write a good many reports and do a great deal of dirty work before he will make people whom he has robbed of their land or imposed oppressive prices and restrictions upon believe that he was actuated by honorable motives or that the course pursued was for their benefit. It is for the government to consider if when a public officer shows such resplendent talents for maliciously falsifying his reports the time has not arrived when he would shine with brighter lustre in some other sphere of usefulness, where truth and honor are less in demand and where there is less opportunity to do harm.

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## OLD SETTLERS' CLAIMS.

In his report to the department of the interior Mr. Pearce alludes to the dissatisfaction caused by the decisions of the land board regarding claims of old settlers in this vicinity. It should be framed as a companion piece to his last years report on the colonization society. He says:

At Edmonton, as you know, a vigorous protest was made against the decisions of the land board, and an indignation meeting was held in reference to the same. This meeting was called by printed placards widely distributed, at a time when excitement in the North-West generally was at fever heat. Out of 240 land claims in the Edmonton district, protests were received from less than thirty, and one half of these were from parties who were disputants with neighbors over the boundaries of their claims—in some cases both parties protesting. It was, of course, to be expected that one of the parties should protest.

About 20 per cent. protested although obtaining all they asked; and of the remainder some four or five were mounted police, or ex-members of the mounted police, or government employees, who claimed free patents through reason of cultivation and in some cases having men live on their claims, while themselves members of the mounted police force or in the employ of the government. The remainder protested against the price of their pre-emptions, or, from the fact of their not obtaining one, cited as the reason of their protest that a resolution had been passed at the indignation meeting referred to to the effect that land in the Edmonton district should not be more than \$1 an acre, and also that every old settler should have 320 acres free, forgetful of the fact that the land board was circumscribed in its decisions by the law and regulations in force, the principle adopted being to give to every bona fide settler 160 acres, if available, as a free homestead, and an additional 160 acres, if available, as a pre-emption, the price of the latter being governed by the regulations in force at the date when the claimant began bona fide to reside on his claim. In some cases, notably at St. Albert, in the vicinity of the Roman Catholic church plot, these parties had settled so closely together along Sturgeon river, the land in rear being occupied by others, that there was not 160 acres available for each. The Rev. Pere Ledue states that at the time they settled they were warned without avail by the church authorities of the position in which they would find themselves if they persisted in doing as they did.

In many cases at St. Albert, where, no doubt, the land claimed might have been patented under the provisions of sub-section f, section 81, 46 Victoria, chapter 17, owing to the death of the party who resided on it on the 15th of July 1870, it would, if treated under said sub-section, have involved the claimant in a great amount of expense in proving heirship or ownership. To obviate this an entry was granted under the homestead provisions of the Dominion lands act, the only difference being a fee of \$10. This many objected to, however, and, although the reason has been explained, they do not or will not grant that it is the best course in their own interest.

LAWRENCE HERCHMER, the new police commissioner, took command of the force on April 1st. The position had previously been offered to an imperial cavalry officer, but refused by him because the pay was insufficient and the tenure uncertain. It is difficult to see how any officer can achieve success under such conditions. Col. Herchmer is a native of Kingston, Ont., and served for some years in the British army in India as a lieutenant. His North-West experience dates from 1878, at which time he held a position on the boundary commission. When the work of the commission was ended he entered a brewery business in Winnipeg, which was carried on under the name of Herchmer and Batkin. About 1879 he started a store at Birtle, Man., and was soon afterward appointed Indian agent for the Salteaux, Crees and Sioux in that vicinity. Last fall he was appointed to investigate the distress at Batoche and afterwards inspector of Indian agencies in the Carlton district, in which position he caused considerable fur to fly. The appointment to the commissionership of police was his next step. He is a brother of Supt. Herchmer of Calgary and Dr. Herchmer formerly of Ft. Saskatchewan. The only objection that can be made to Col. Herchmer's appointment is that without any special recommendation or qualification he is placed in a position to which others, by long and honorable service in the force, are better entitled.

DR. LAUDER and A. Carney are the rival candidates for the Calgary seat in the North-West Council now held by J. D. Geddes. Mr. Cayley, the Herald announces, will also offer in case two representatives are allowed.

REPORTED that Rev. Father Scollin received a \$500 gratuity from the government for his services last spring, and Rev. Pere Laconibe \$1,000. The first named is at present in Massachusetts.

## CHURCHES.

**CHURCH OF ENGLAND.**—Hours of Sunday service: All-Saints 11 a.m., St. Michael's 6.30 p.m. W.N.

**ST. JOACHIM'S, R. C. CHURCH,** Edmonton.—Mass at 10 a.m. every Sunday. Sermon in English and Cree. Afternoon services at 3 o'clock. H. GRANDIN, O.M.I.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA.**—J. H. Howard, Pastor. Hours of service, 11 a.m. and 7.00 p.m. Sabbath school, 2.30 p.m. Prayer meeting and lecture, Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

**EDMONTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**—Pastor, the Rev. Andrew B. Baird, M.A., B.D. Sabbath services at Edmonton, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sabbath School at 2.30 p.m. Belmont: Feb. 7, 21, March 7, 21, April 4, 18. Sturgeon: Feb. 28, March 28, April 25. Clover Bar: Feb. 14, March 14, April 11. Ft. Saskatchewan: Feb. 7, March 7, April 4. No morning service at Edmonton on the days on which service is held at Fort Saskatchewan.

## J. BANNERMAN,

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Dressed Flooring, per M.	\$40.00
Undressed " "	30.00
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Sheeting Lumber	20.00
Gulls	15.00
Dimension Lumber, over 16 ft., extra	20.00
Fence Pickets, undressed, 3 ft. long,	
per 100	3.50
" dressed and pointed	4.00
Lath, per bundle of 100	.75
Shingles, per M	5.00
Spruce timber, 8 x 8, for sills, per L. ft.	.10
" 10 x 10, " "	.12

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Forms of tender, giving full particulars relative to the Supplies required, dates of delivery, etc., may be had by applying to the undersigned, or to the Indian Commissioner at Regina, or to the Indian Office, Winnipeg.

Parties may tender for each description of goods (or for any portion of each description of goods) separately or for all the goods called for in the Schedules.

Each Tender must be accompanied by an accepted Cheque in favor of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs on a Canadian Bank for at least five per cent. of the amount of the tenders for Manitoba and the North-West Territories, which will be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

Tenderers must make up in the money columns in the the Schedule the total money value of the goods they offer to supply or their tender will not be entertained.

Each tender must, in addition to the signature of the tenderer, be signed by two sureties acceptable to the Department, for the proper performance of the contract.

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The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

L. VANKOUGHNET.

Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, 8rd March, 1886.

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# **PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**

The fifth annual meeting of the Presbyterian congregation was held on Wednesday evening. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Mr. Baird, and Mr. W. Johnstone Walker was elected chairman.

The minister made a statement of the work done and the progress made by the congregation during the year. Thirteen members had been added to the roll and four removed, leaving a net increase of nine. The three Sabbath Schools under the care of the church had done good work, and that in Edmonton especially exhibited a decided growth. Acknowledgment was made of the assistance rendered by Mr. James Hamilton, B. A., last summer; his successor will probably arrive within a few weeks. Those of the members who had taken part in church work had worked devotedly and harmoniously during the year, and although there still remained much to be done the congregation had never been better equipped for effective service.

The board of management reported that they had been relieved of a considerable part of their work by the ladies' association; that the interior of the church had been painted and the clearing and fencing of the church property undertaken. They made several recommendations as to finances and the filling of vacancies in their ranks.

The treasurer's report showed that the total revenue of the church for the year amounted to \$1,182, of which \$300 was under the control of the branch congregations, consisting of Sturgeon, Ft. Saskatchewan and Clover Bar; \$420 had been contributed to the minister's salary, \$270 to the building fund, \$45 for fuel, light and attendance, \$30 for incidental expenses and \$93 for mission and other schemes of the church. This had been divided as follows: \$45 to Manitoba College, \$20 to augmentation of stipends, \$12 to home missions, \$8 to foreign missions and \$8 to synod and presbytery funds. The statement of the ladies' association showed that a considerable part of this money had been raised by them and that they had rendered valuable assistance to the congregation in these ways. A vote of thanks was tendered them for their help.

In accordance with a recommendation of the board of management the congregation resolved to consolidate the outstanding debt on the church property by securing a loan of \$400. Messrs. Taylor (re-elected), W. J. Walker and Douglas Petrie were chosen to take the places of the retiring members of the board.

In addition to the work indicated in the foregoing reports, churches are being erected at Clover Bar, and Ft. Saskatchewan under the control of local committees, and a dwelling house for the mission teacher on the Stoney Plain under the direction of Mr. Baird for the Foreign Mission Committee. These undertakings are more or less directly connected with this congregation but the financial statements are not included here.

ALTHOUGH contrary to the ordinance there were a good many fires set out this week for the purpose of clearing land. The date from which fires must not be set out is rather early. It is in the interest of every one in such a country as we have at Edmonton that as much prairie as possible should be burned off first thing in the spring when the fire will not run in the woods and can be easily kept under control for purposes of protection a few weeks later when the grass is dryer and it has become almost impossible to stop a fire once it gets under headway. But it is very seldom that any burning can be done before April first, while if people obey the law by not burning after that date, they leave themselves open to great risk from accidental fires at a later date.

## **METEOROLOGICAL.**

Weather report for week ending Friday evening, April 9th, 1886. Reported for the BULLETIN by Mr. Alexander Taylor, observer at Edmonton.

	Max	Min
Saturday	56	21
Sunday	56	23
Monday	56	29
Tuesday	49	31
Wednesday	44	29
Thursday	25	24
Friday	70	29

Barometer rising, 27.605.

## **TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.**

Take notice that the Registry Office for the Registration District of Edmonton will be opened on Monday the 15th day of March instant and all lawful days thereafter from 10 o'clock a.m. to 4 o'clock p.m.

GEO. ROY,

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